

The current legislation proposed to break this agency up simply makes no sense and we need a whole lot of common sense in approaching the way we restructure the government if we intend to overcome the current fiscal crisis at hand while still delivering vital services to the public we serve. BESB is a small agency with a small portion of the budget and its services are essential and necessary to the citizens of the state. Its operational costs are already lean and yet it remains an effective agency. By breaking this agency up and placing it in various different agencies, you will save little, if any, money and greatly damage the integrity of services provided by this agency.

Please consider the impact your decision to support or oppose this legislation may have on people living in Connecticut. Consider how you might feel if blindness struck someone you loved or became something you had to deal with personally. Where would you turn for help and what kind of services would you want available?

Please oppose HB6380 and SB1012. Make decisions that make sense both fiscally and in service delivery for a stronger future in Connecticut.

Respectfully,

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